Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I can’t believe that this is our last newsletter for 2015! I’d like to take this opportunity to thank all staff, students and parents for your ongoing support of Boambee Public School. We have implemented some important initiatives this year and we will continue to build on them in 2016. I’m sure you will continue your involvement and support of our school next year and there will be numerous opportunities for you to expand your association with our great school. Stay tuned!

We conduct our Presentation Day on Monday and I’d like to take this opportunity to congratulate all of our students on completing 2015 in such a positive fashion. Whilst we recognise some students on Presentation Day, everyone can be extremely proud of their achievements and I’m sure the student reports, going home on Monday, will be an opportunity to celebrate the successes of 2015.

As our year 6 students move to high school next year, I’d like to wish them well and we’re all looking forward to hearing about your achievements in the coming years.

Next year, Mr Doyle and Mr Martin won’t be with us and they will return in 2017. Mr Doyle will be in Canada on a teacher exchange (Mr McGowan from Canada, will be at Boambee Public School). Mr Martin is travelling around Australia with his family and I’m sure they’ll both keep in touch!

Students in 1-6 return to school on Thursday 28th January, with Kindergarten commencing on Wednesday 3rd February. Children from 1-6 will be placed in temporary classes from day 1 as upon confirmation on new enrolments, we may have to structure our classes differently. As soon as we have confirmation of enrolment numbers, we can place your child in their class for 2016. We anticipate all classes 1-6 to be formed by the end of week 1 next year.

On behalf of all staff, we hope you enjoy the festive season and remember if you are travelling, please do so safely. Enjoy your weekend. Brad Lyne - Principal

Peter Woods Retiring

Our General Assistant Mr Peter Woods is retiring after working at our school for the past 5 years. Mr Ian Collier has been here helping Mr Woods this term and will continue in Mr Woods absence for Term 1 next year. We would like to wish Mr Woods all the best and thank him for all his dedication and hard work over the past 5 years.

Coffee Van on Monday

You are invited to have a coffee with staff and other parents at the Tallowood tree this Monday, 14th December 2015. The coffee Kombi, also known as “My Mate’s Place” will be operating from 8.00am until 10.00am to serve you with a free coffee. Please come along and enjoy!

Year 6 Graduation

Invitations inviting all year 6 parents to the Year 6 Graduation on Tuesday 15th December at 6.00pm were sent home this week. There will be a formal presentation followed by a light supper. We are hoping to see all parents attending this important occasion.

Presentation Day

You are invited to our Presentation Day which will be held this Monday 14th December at 10.00am in the school hall. Letters were posted last week to parents of students who are receiving an award at Presentation Day.

Volunteer Morning Tea

In appreciation of your valued contribution in assisting the staff and students at Boambee Public School during 2015, you are cordially invited to attend a special morning tea Tuesday, 15th December at 11.00am in our Staffroom.
House Captains
The elections for house captains was held last week. We were extremely proud of all the students who nominated for the positions. Congratulations to the successful candidates.

Gaagum
( Yellow - Jerrawa)
Girls House Captain - Lilly Luck
Boys House Captain - Joss Boyes

Wirriiga
( Red - Koolewong)
Girls House Captain - Jessica Joice
Boys House Captain - Kalob Stone

Muluny
( Green - Tinnenburra)
Girls House Captain - Phylicia Stock
Boys House Captain - Kyan Page

Yugiirr
( Blue - Wombiana)
Girls House Captain - Charlet East
Boys House Captain - Ashton Reid

Kindergarten Graduation
Friday 4th December saw our school community celebrate Kindergarten's completion of their first year of formal schooling. The students performed a great rendition of “Shake it Off” to year 1 with fantastic moves. Afterwards each student was presented with a special book to commemorate their achievements in 2015. Year 6 then provided the guard of honour as Kinder left the hall. Thank you to all the parents, and families that came to help us celebrate.

Library News
Stocktake is well underway at the school Library. The school library will be closed for the remainder of the year. Thank you to everyone who has returned their books.

Science
On Friday 4th December Stage 2 had a science day. All the activities were fun but one stood out from the others, making milo! The day was all about states of matter and their reversible and irreversible changes.

Did you know that you can make a thermometer out of a plastic bottle, or that glow sticks glow brighter in hot water? We learned so many amazing things!!

I really enjoyed it and I am sure everyone else did too. Let's do it again!! Written by Damien 3/4M.

Last Friday Stage 2 had a science day. There was 6 rotations of fun. All of the experiments were based on changing the state of matter.

Our groups first experiment was testing the chemical reaction between Bicarb soda and Vinegar. We put hot water in a plastic ziplock bag and then added vinegar, we then got a tissue and put 6 teaspoons of Bicarb soda and wrapped it up. We sealed the bag and watched it explode. BANG!

The second rotation was about the reaction to different temperature water from a glowstick. In hot water it got brighter and in cold water it went dimmer.

Later at the third rotation we learnt about reversible and irreversible changes. After that we talked about examples of irreversible changes, one of them was paper can't turn back to a tree. We then got a milo which was irreversible but I wish it wasn't.

At the fourth rotation Mr Martin asked us why does ice float. Through a series of experiments we found out the answer was because ice is less dense than water. After that we put oil in a cup with water already in it then we put an ice cube in and it floated over the water and stayed under the water. Written by Kane 3/4M.
School Shoes for 2016
When purchasing shoes for 2016, please ensure they adhere to our school policy of being all black weather-proof closed in shoes which are suitable and safe for all school activities.

Mathers and Williams Shoes have a very special offer that helps our school. This program runs from 1st December 2015 until 29th February 2016. Purchases will be collated and payment made directly to the school by 31st March 2016. Please take this bar code above with you when purchasing.

Last Day - Picnic Day - 16th December 2015
This year Kinder to Year 2 will be going to Brelsford Park and then to Coffs Harbour Cinemas to watch Hotel Transylvania (PG). The students need to bring a hat, sunscreen, healthy packed lunch with plenty of water and school uniform must be worn. Students will not be permitted to purchase from the canteen at the Cinema. Students can bring a bottle of water and a small healthy snack into the Cinema.

Year 3 to 6 will be going to the Big Banana Water Slide and then to the Jetty Foreshores for a picnic lunch about 11.45am. If you would like to meet us for a picnic lunch you are most welcome. Students need to bring a hat, sunscreen, rash shirt, swimmers, healthy packed lunch and recess with plenty of water.

Children with Autism Walk
On 23 January 2016 (Saturday before school resumes) there will be an organised walk for children with Autism from Coffs to Moonee Beach (14kms). The walk departs the Park Beach Hoey Moey at approximately 10:00am and takes approximately 3 hours along the majestic Solitary Islands Coastal Walk. This is a wonderful initiative to show our local community that our local public schools support children with Autism as well as their families.

Upon arrival at the Moonee Tavern there will be many activities for kids, raffles, games and live entertainment for everyone. FREE transportation has been arranged for you to get back to your vehicle. The link to register is: https://coffsbeachwalk.gofundraise.com.au/cms/home.

Uniform News
The last day the Uniform Shop will be open this term is Monday 14th December from 9.00am until 10.30am.
The Uniform Shop opening days and hours for next year are as follows:
Wednesday 27th January from 9.00am until 12.00 noon.
Thursday 28th January from 9.00am until 11.00am.
Friday 29th January from 9.00am until 11.00am and it will be back to normal on Monday 1st February from 9.00am until 10.30am.

Bingo
Tuesday evening at 7.00pm eyes down at the Coffs Ex Services Club. Come along and support our school

22nd December - Team 3
Kate Kelly, Leanne Krainik & Sarah Floyd

12th January - Team 4, Sub Team A
Vicki Totzl & Ann Beynon

19th January - Team 2, Sub Team A
Alison Szabo & Penny Smith

2nd February - Team 3 Sub Team A, B & D

Canteen News
The canteen volunteer dinner is next Thursday night 17th December at 6.30pm. Where is still a mystery. Please phone or text Terri on 0411 843 600 if you would like to know where we are going for dinner. All canteen volunteers are welcome to come along and celebrate a great year together.

Thank you to everyone who helped in the canteen this year. Mrs Terri Drayton our Canteen Manager will be taking some leave next year and Leanne Larnach will be filling in. Canteen will reopen Thursday 28th January 2016.

Helpers are needed for 2016!
“Alone we can do so little together we can do so much!”

Important Dates

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